

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on an electronic device, comprising:
a frame; and
a resiliently elastic material coupled to the frame, the resiliently elastic material being adapted for suspending an electronic device with respect to the frame.
2. (ORIGINAL) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the frame is rigid.
3. (ORIGINAL) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the frame is semi-rigid.
4. (ORIGINAL) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the resiliently elastic material is a polymeric material.
5. (ORIGINAL) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the resiliently elastic material is in the form of a sheet.
6. (ORIGINAL) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the resiliently elastic material is in the form of a strap.
7. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the resiliently elastic material is in the form of a rib adapted to be coupled to the an electronic device.

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8. (ORIGINAL) A device as recited in claim 7, wherein the rib is in tension.
9. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A device as recited in claim 1, ~~wherein the electronic device is sandwiched between~~ further comprising layers of the resiliently elastic material adapted to sandwich an electronic device therebetween.
10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A device as recited in claim 9, further comprising at least one rib coupled to the ~~housing frame and~~ adapted for coupling to an the electronic component for further restricting movement of the electronic component with respect to the frame.
11. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the ~~electronic device is fixedly coupled to the~~ resiliently elastic material is adapted for physical coupling to an electronic device.
12. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the device extends a shock event time imparted on an electronic device coupled thereto is ~~extended~~ by at least twice with respect to an identical shock imparted on an identical unprotected electronic device.
13. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the device extends a shock event time imparted on an electronic device coupled thereto is ~~extended~~ by at least four times with respect to an identical shock imparted on an identical unprotected electronic device.
14. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A device as recited in claim 1, wherein the device is designed for coupling to ~~electronic device is~~ a hard disk drive.

15. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~A~~ An electronic device in combination with a device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on an the electronic device, comprising:
an electronic device;
a frame; and
a resiliently elastic material coupled to the frame, the resiliently elastic material being wrapped around at least a portion of the frame, wherein ~~an the~~ the electronic device is sandwiched between layers of the resiliently elastic material.
16. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~A device~~ An electronic device in combination with a device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on the electronic device as recited in claim 15, wherein the resiliently elastic material is in the form of a sheet.
17. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~A device~~ An electronic device in combination with a device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on the electronic device as recited in claim 15, wherein the resiliently elastic material is in the form of a strap.
18. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~A device~~ An electronic device in combination with a device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on the electronic device as recited in claim 15, further comprising at least one rib coupled to the housing and the electronic component for further restricting movement of the electronic component with respect to the frame.
19. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~A device~~ An electronic device in combination with a device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on the

electronic device as recited in claim 15, wherein the electronic device is fixedly coupled to the resiliently elastic material.

20. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~A device~~ An electronic device in combination with a device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on the electronic device as recited in claim 15, wherein the shock event time is extended by at least twice with respect to an identical shock imparted on an identical unprotected electronic device.
21. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~A device~~ An electronic device in combination with a device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on the electronic device as recited in claim 15, wherein the shock event time is extended by at least four times with respect to an identical shock imparted on an identical unprotected electronic device.
22. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) ~~A device~~ An electronic device in combination with a device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on the electronic device as recited in claim 15, wherein the electronic device is a hard disk drive.
23. (ORIGINAL) A device for extending an event time of a physical shock imparted on an electronic device, comprising:
a frame; and
multiple resiliently elastic ribs coupled to the frame, the resiliently elastic ribs being coupled to an electronic device for suspending the electronic device with respect to the frame, the ribs being in tension.
24. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A device as recited in claim 24 23, wherein the resiliently elastic material is a polymeric material.

25. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A device as recited in claim 24 ~~23~~, wherein the device extends a shock event time imparted on an electronic device coupled thereto ~~is extended~~ by at least twice with respect to an identical shock imparted on an identical unprotected electronic device.
26. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A device as recited in claim 24 ~~23~~, wherein the device extends a shock event time imparted on an electronic device coupled thereto ~~is extended~~ by at least four times with respect to an identical shock imparted on an identical unprotected electronic device.
27. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A device as recited in claim 24 ~~23~~, wherein the electronic device is in combination with a hard disk drive ~~is in combination with a hard disk drive~~.